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The Hon. Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM:—"The report has been received. The answer to the question is in the affirmative. But necessary instructions have been issued since."

Administration of Justice

Selection of candidates for appointments to the Civil Judicial department by the Madras Services Commission.

* 310 *Q.*—Mr. M. DEVADASAN: Will the Hon. the Law Member be pleased to state when the Government are going to transfer the power of selecting candidates for appointments in the Civil Judicial department to the Public Services Commission?

A.—There is no proposal now to transfer the power of selecting candidates to the posts of District Munsifs and Subordinate Judges to the Madras Services Commission. The Government have authorized the Madras Services Commission to select candidates for the ministerial establishments of the mufassal civil courts and the arrangements to be made in connexion with the selection are under consideration.

Age-limit for admission into the Civil Judicial department.

* 311 *Q.*—Mr. M. DEVADASAN: Will the Hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) what the prescribed age for admission into the service of the Judicial department is;

(*b*) whether the Government have relaxed this age-limit in the case of the depressed classes, Indian Christians and Muslims as they have done in Revenue and other departments; and

(*c*) whether any representation was made to the Government for the relaxation of this age-limit?

A.—(*a*) The hon. Member presumably refers to the posts of clerks in the Judicial department. The present age-limit is 25.

(*b*) The question is under consideration.

(*c*) A memorandum was presented by the hon. Member to His Excellency the Governor on the subject.

Appointment of an Additional Judge to the City Civil Court, Madras.

* 312 *Q.*—Mr. M. DEVADASAN: Will the Hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government propose to appoint an Additional Judge for the City Civil Court; and

(*b*) whether the Government have called for applications for the post?

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A.—(*a*) The question is under correspondence with the High Court.

(*b*) No. The post itself has not yet been sanctioned.

Report regarding batta and daily allowance payable to jurors and assessors.

* 313 *Q.*—Mr. G. Rameswara Rao: Will the Hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government called for any report regarding the batta and daily allowance payable to jurors and assessors; and

(*b*) whether it can be placed on the table of this House, with the orders of the Government thereon?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) As final orders have not yet been passed, the question does not arise.

Mr. G. Rameswara Rao:—" May I know when the reports were received by Government and when final orders will be passed? "

The Hon. Sir K. V. Reddi Nayudu:—" As early as possible."

Mr. G. Rameswara Rao:—" I know that the Hon. Member will not delay matters, but I just want to have an idea of the time when final orders will be passed."

The Hon. Sir K. V. Reddi Nayudu:—" The issue of orders will not be deliberately delayed."

Policy of the Government regarding recruitment of Official Receivers.

* 314 *Q.*—Mr. G. Rameswara Rao: Will the Hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Official Receiver of Anantapur has been kept under suspension;

(*b*) whether any applications were called for before filling up the temporary vacancy;

(*c*) whether it is the policy of the Government to appoint only possible candidates for Munsifs' appointments as Official Receivers; and

(*d*) how far the recommendations of the Civil Justice Committee in regard to the recruitment of Official Receivers have been adopted by this Government?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Appointment to the posts of Official Receivers is made on the recommendation of the High Court which consults the District Judge concerned before making its recommendation. The Government have no information as to whether the District Judge called for applications.